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Sir:

Applicant(s) would like to bring to the Examiner's attention that the following applications,

U.S. Application/ Pat. No.	File Date	Atty. Docket. No.
6,487,547	January 29, 1999	50277-0284
09/873,061	May 31, 2001	50277-1510
09/872,235	May 31, 2001	50277-1511
09/872,234	May 31, 2001	50277-1512
09/872,067	May 31, 2001	50277-1513
09/872,932	May 31, 2001	50277-1514
09/873,042	May 31, 2001	50277-1515
09/945,438	August 31, 2001	50277-1787
10/226,461	August 23, 2003	50277-2063
6,691,117	August 23, 2002	50277-2065
10/762,949	January 21, 2004	50277-2430

The related application(s) contain(s) one or more claims that may be substantially similar to one or more claims in the present application, those claims may have been rejected in the related application(s), and a different interpretation may have been applied to one or more of the references that are of record in the present application. Therefore, the Examiner is encouraged to review the file history(ies) of the related application(s) as some of the information contained therein may be material to the examination of the present application.

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The Examiner is hereby notified that for the following related application(s) an Office Action has been received as indicated below:

U.S. Application Serial No. 09/873,061, filed on May 31, 2001 (Office Action mailing date July 19, 2004) and

U.S. Application Serial No. 09/872,932, filed on May 31, 2001 (Office Action mailing date June 7, 2004).

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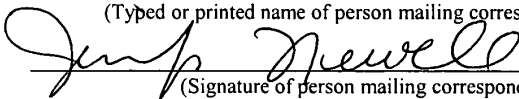
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